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RE: CC Docket No. 96-45
Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support - ICLS
Annual Certification Filing

This is to certify that El Paso Telephone Company will use its Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support - ICLS only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is for the study area(s) listed below.

El Paso Telephone Company - 341004

Sincerely,


Patrick L. Morse
El Paso Telephone Company

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